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ANIMAL INDUSTRIES INVESTIGATION REPORT

NAME, ADDRESS OF ALLEGED COMPLAINT		NAME/ADDRESS/PHONE OF CLAIMANT	DATE/TIME RECEIVED:	TYPE OF COMPLAINT
Owyhee Dairy			8:15 5/21/2019	<input type="radio"/> ANIMAL CARE
Dave Williams			COMPLAINT #:	<input type="radio"/> DEAD ANIMALS
3677 Market Road				<input type="radio"/> ODOR
208-989-3583 Phone			COUNTY:	<input type="radio"/> MISCELLANEOUS
Homedale, ID 83628		Homedale, ID 83628	Owyhee	

DOES THE CLAIMANT EXPECT ADDITIONAL DEPARTMENT CONTACT?	No	NATURE OF COMPLAINT: Bank between ditch and corrals at Owyhee Dairy has been cut and effluent is flowing into ditch below corrals. Wastewater is being drained into unnamed drain that connects back into the Snake River 2.3 miles downstream.
SPECIES:	NUMBER AFFECTED:	
GENERAL CONDITION OF ANIMALS:		
AVERAGE BODY CONDITION SCORE OF ALL ANIMALS:		
BODY CONDITION SCORE RANGE OF ANIMALS:		
FACILITY TYPE:	Dairy	
FACILITY CONDITION:	Poor	
EVIDENCE/PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN?	No	
DISPOSITION: Initial Investigation Complete		

Remarks:

Tuesday May 21, 2019

At approximately 8:15 AM Complainant called ISDA to report that the lagoon bank at Owyhee Dairy had been cut and effluent was flowing from the lagoon into the creek located below the lagoon. Ag. Bureau Chief Mitch Vermeer informed complainant that he would send an Inspector out to investigate that day and the inspector would be in touch with complainant at that time.

At approximately 8:20 AM Inspector Emily Montague received a call from Producer Dave Williams who asked for an extension on the time frame given to remove stockpile staging site nutrients from location due to excess rain making it unreasonable to get byproduct at stockpile staging site removed without causing more of a mess on roadways. Inspector Montague told Mr. Williams she would speak with her supervisor and get back to Mr. Williams with an answer. Inspector Emily Montague then asked Mr. Williams about a cut in his lagoon and any possible effluent going off his property and into the creek located below his property. Mr. Williams stated there was no possible waste runoff going into the creek but there was excess rainfall at his facility for the last 24 hours and runoff from the driveway on the property not contaminated by facility byproduct could possibly be running into the creek. Inspector Montague informed Mr. Williams that she would call him back in regards to the question on extending the time agreed upon to have stockpile staging site removed from location near field. Phone conversation ended at approximately 8:24 AM.

At approximately 8:28 AM Inspector Emily Montague called Producer Dave Williams to let him know he had an extension of 5 days to get dairy byproduct removed from staging site and asked that Mr. Williams find a new suitable stockpiling site for solid storage in the future and not use current site as a stockpile staging site again. Mr. Williams agreed that he would discontinue using site for land application staging and or stockpile staging in the future. Inspector Montague thanked Mr. Williams for his time and thanked him for his communication and ended the phone call at approximately 8:29 AM.

At approximately 12:09 PM Inspector Montague called complainant and stated approximate time of arrival to Owyhee Dairy and asked complainant if he would like to meet after initial facility inspection to give report of events. Complainant said he wanted to meet after initial investigation at facility was conducted and gave a Inspector Montague a break down of the events that had occurred within the last 24 hours stating facility had cut into bank between corrals and ditch causing effluent to run into ditch (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(D)

Complainant stated there were front end loaders currently moving things around where the cuts had been made in the ditch bank Inspector Montague thanked Complainant for his time and said she would be in touch shortly for further communication.

At approximately 12:43 PM Inspector Montague headed East on Market Road and arrived at Owyhee Dairy facility at 12:44 PM. Upon arrival it was observed that there had been cuts into the ditch bank along corrals north of facility. First cut in bank was observed near 43° 35'18.63"N 116°55'09.02"W where there was a pool of effluent coming out of the corrals. Inspector Montague headed West along ditch bank and observed large piles of gravel in place that measured approximately five to six feet in height. Upon further inspection it was observed that the gravel piles were placed on top of additional pools of effluent. An old pipe was laying on top of the soil near by the gravel piles and upon further inspection Inspector Montague noticed a pipe that had recently been repaired and or capped that was pointed into the

INSPECTOR SIGNATURE

Emily Montague

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